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Rev. John H. Gebhart
Former prison chaplain
Retired director of prison ministries, Tennessee Conference of the
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Rev. Nancy G. Neelley
Minister of Discipleship
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Susan McBride

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David L. Plaskett

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From: "Jason" <jbrock@tnumc.org>
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Date: 1/7/2005 1:08:09 PM
Subject: Corrections facility phone rates, TRA Docket #04-00166 and #04-00211

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Sincerely,

Rev. Jason Brock

Love and Justice Ministries

TN Conference of the United Methodist Church

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Maureen Maddox

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From: Anne Curtis <bridgehatt@juno.com>
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Anne Curtis
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To: <greg.mitchell@state.tn.us>
Date: 1/7/2005 6:12:05 PM
Subject: Vote no please!

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Peace and Blessings

darlene

From: <jboram@bellsouth.net>
To: <greg.mitchell@state.tn.us>
Date: 1/8/2005 6:53:21 AM
Subject: DOCKET # 04-00166 & # 04-00211 - PHONECALLS FROM PRISONERS

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T.R.A. DOCKET ROOM

Dear Mr. Mitchell, I'm e-mailing you re: the proposed increase in costs for and shortened phonecalls from TN prisoners to their families/loved ones. I am NOT in favor of this change. As a clergy-person who has visited prisoners @ Riverbend Max Security Institute, I see the hardships already imposed on prisoners. Their punishments are stiff enough without adding more salt into their societal wounds (even if self-inflicted). What possible good can come out of this? Thank you for listening! Sincerely,
(The Rev.) Jane Boram - 2206 Grantland Ave., Nashville, TN 37204 (615-292-9530)

Jane Boram

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From: <jodimccullah@bellsouth.net>
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Sincerely,
Rev. Jodi McCullah

Pastor, Wartrace UMC
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cell 347-9071
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"Thou shalt not be a perpetrator. Thou shalt not be a victim. Above all, thou shalt not be a bystander."

CC: <phil.bredesen@state.tn.us>

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Sincerely,

Susan Groseclose, 3401 Granny White Pike, L130, Nashville, TN 37204

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Sincerely,
The Rev. Bryan L. Brooks
Decherd United Methodist Church
Decherd, Tennessee

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Thank you so very much
Penny E. Sanford

From: "Anne-Marie Moyes" <ejdc3@msn.com>
To: <greg.mitchell@state.tn.us>
Date: 1/10/2005 7:08:22 PM
Subject: Collect Call Rates from TN Prison

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Mr. Mitchell,

I am a family member of a Tennessee prisoner and am writing to appeal to the Tennessee Regulatory Authority not to approve an increase in the collect call rates from prisons

As you probably know, numerous studies show that prisoners who maintain significant contact with their families while they are incarcerated are significantly less likely to re-offend when they are released. In light of this fact, the TRA should be considering lowering the already exorbitant rates rather than raising them even higher.

Most families of prisoners are working class families who are struggling to keep their lives together while one family member, often the former primary breadwinner, is locked up. High collect call rates place a huge burden on families already stretched to the breaking point.

Please exercise your compassion and reject the phone companies' request for rate increases. In doing so, you will be supporting sound public policy by helping families to provide a strong, and much needed, support system for their incarcerated loved ones.

Sincerely,

Anne-Marie Moyes

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